

A36 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

A regular newsletter for residents and stakeholders in the Limpley Stoke area: Issue 1

Utility Diversions Commence Next Week

Good weather during the first week of work has helped the preparations keep to schedule.

Trenches have been excavated and the cabling identified, before the various utility diversions take place next week. We will also be continuing with vegetation clearance and necessary tree trimming.

We are aware of the congestion that has been caused by traffic diverting from the A36 - particularly in Hinton Charterhouse and Bradford-on-Avon. Our Traffic Safety Officers are working with local highways authorities and the police to resolve these problems wherever possible. We are also reviewing the siting of barriers on local roads, which were placed to prevent "rat running". Some changes to the location of these barriers, and possibly the gatehouses at Bathampton and Brown Shutters, may result.

The shuttle bus appears to be working effectively. Up to date timetables have been distributed electronically and are displayed at various points in local villages. Timetables are also available from the bus operating companies and can be picked up from drivers.

SITE OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS

Should any urgent issues arise during the works, residents can contact an on-site liaison officer, who will be available on Tuesday and Thursday each week. The site office is located at the Canal Visitor Centre overflow carpark, just off the B3108.

General enquiries should be directed to the **Highways Agency Information Line** on **08457 50 40 30**. You can also send an email to: customercare@area2.interroutejv.co.uk

A36 Gatehouse Information

Gatehouses are in operation for the duration of the scheme, to advise road users that the A36 is closed to through-traffic. Whilst we realise that this essential work may be inconvenient, we would ask that motorists respect our workforce and follow instructions on traffic management signage. We have received reports of HGV's and other vehicles being allowed through the gatehouses. There will always be a certain amount of traffic requiring access beyond the gatehouses for legitimate reasons, please note that we have no powers of enforcement to refuse access. Our role is only to advise of the closure on the A36 and official diversion routes.

Have you received yours?

We have distributed badges to a number of residents and businesses in the immediately affected area. **Badges will only ease passage through the gatehouses on the A36 at certain times of day, but will not permit access through the work site at any time. All drivers with a valid reason will be waved through the gatehouses, whether they have a badge or not.**

If you require an additional badge, please feel free to ring the communications team on 01454 452300, or email communications@area2.interroutejv.co.uk. You can also pick up a badge at the site office.

